RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Ordinarily, the Publicity Officer.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Are the Government satisfied that all reports worthy of their notice are being brought to their notice in time by that officer?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I have the number of reports that have been brought to the notice of Government during the course of this year?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice. I do not remember the exact number.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I at least know whether any complaint has been brought to the notice of Government by the Publicity Officer?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to give one or two instances?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Will I be in order, Sir, if I give names?

PRESIDENT: No.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know, Sir, whether Government ordinarily consulted the authors of such reports?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, not in all cases.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know what exactly is the channel through which enquiry is made?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Through the Head of the Department concerned.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Vedumangad*): May I know whether any action is taken against those newspapers which publish false reports?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Vedumangad*): May I know many papers were proceeded against for having published false reports?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

Corruption among officers.

41. ***MR. K. PADMANABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have adopted any device to detect corruption among their officers; and

(*b*) if they have, the exact nature of the device?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Heads of Departments and District Officers who supervise the work of their subordinates detect corruption among them. No other device has been adopted for the purpose.

(*b*) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether Government are aware that there is corruption among the subordinate officers in the Police Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Govern nent*): It has not been brought to the notice of Government.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Are Government aware that there is corruption among the subordinate officers of the Excise Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think one or two cases of corruption were brought to the notice of Government.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether Government are aware that there is very great corruption among the subordinate officers of the Land Revenue Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): What is the nature of the exact machinery by which corruption is detected?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer has already been given.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Am I to understand that Government have not as yet received any complaint against the subordinate officers of the Land Revenue Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot answer that question off-hand. I must look up the files. I therefore claim notice.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): With regard to the answer to part (*a*), I would like to know whether Government have adopted any device to detect corruption among the Heads of Departments as well as the District Officers?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No special device has been invented for detecting corruption but when instances come to the notice of Government, they enquire into them and do the needful. In the case of the Heads of Departments, Government will themselves make the enquiry whereas in the case of the subordinate officers the Head of the Department will enquire.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know from Government whether they have any idea of instituting a corruption detection intelligence departmentment shortly?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, some proposals have been received for the reorganisation of the Criminal Investigation Department but no proposals have yet been received by Government for the organisation of a corruption detection intelligence department.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Would Government be pleased to consider this question in a very serious manner?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): May I know to which question the member refers?

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): The question of instituting a Corruption Detection Intelligence Department for detecting corruption among the Heads of Departments.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is a question suggesting future action and I cannot answer it.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether Government have not as yet detected corruption among District Officers and punished them?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They have.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): In view of better and efficient administration, is it not desirable at least now to institute a department for detecting corruption?

PRESIDENT: And if that department becomes corrupt? (*Laughter*):

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Then the whole thing will move in a vicious circle.

Manual Training Section of the Departmental Training School for Women.

42. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of students in the Manual Section of the departmental Training School for Women; and

(*b*) the yearly expenditure incurred to maintain that section?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*)

(*a*) Five during 1934-35.

(*b*) The expenditure varies from year to year, as it depends upon the number of teachers coming up for training.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know, Sir, the amount of expenditure during the year 1934-1935?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): About Rs. 2,100.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know, Sir, whether, in view of the expenditure to be incurred for maintaining a school in which there are only five students, he has recommended to Government the abolition of the Training School?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The question of the abolition of the Training School does not arise at

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